

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**CORRECTED  
FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 1366 – HB 2321**

March 9, 2016

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Department of Children’s Services (DCS) to develop instructional guidelines in conjunction with the State Board of Education, Board of Medical Examiners, Board of Osteopathic Examination, Board of Nursing, and Board of Social Worker Licensure for child safety training programs for members of professions that frequently deal with children who may be at risk of abuse. Requires, after July 1, 2016, a professional seeking a license renewal from one of these boards to complete a child safety training program prior to the board granting the professional a renewal.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

On March 2, 2016, a fiscal note was issued estimating a fiscal impact as follows:

*Increase State Expenditures - \$599,400/FY16-17  
\$582,200/FY17-18 and Subsequent Years*

*Increase Federal Expenditures - \$32,000/FY16-17 and Subsequent Years*

Due to a calculation error, the fiscal impact was in error. The estimated fiscal impact has been corrected as follows:

**(CORRECTED)**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$718,300/FY16-17  
\$692,500/FY17-18 and Subsequent Years**

**Increase Federal Expenditures - \$32,000/FY16-17 and Subsequent Years**

Corrected Assumptions:

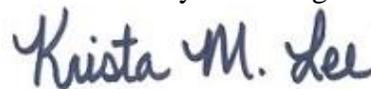
- Based on information provided by the Department of Children’s Services, developing instructional guidelines and implementing the child safety trainings cannot be performed within existing resources.
- The Department will need to hire one additional Training Director to meet the requirements of the proposed legislation.

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- The recurring increase in expenditures associated with the additional position is estimated to be \$99,078 (\$63,200 salary + \$20,878 benefits + \$15,000 other costs) which will be compiled of \$67,133 state and \$31,945 federal as follows:
  - \$51,521 in DCS state funds ( $\$99,078 \times 0.52$ )
  - \$15,612 in TennCare state funds [ $(\$99,078 \times 0.45) \times 0.35017$ ]
  - \$28,973 in TennCare federal funds [ $(\$99,078 \times 0.45) \times 0.64983$ ]
  - \$2,972 in Title IV-E federal funds ( $\$99,078 \times 0.03$ ).
- Based on information provided by the Department of Health (TDH), Boards do not currently create training programs and would need to hire six new positions to implement the requirements of the proposed legislation: one new Training Director with the expertise to produce professional training for approximately 150,000 professionals who would be required to complete the required child safety training, three Administrative Services Assistant 2 positions would be needed to process and verify that approximately 6,250 professionals per month completed the training program. An Attorney 4 position and a Legal Assistant would be required to handle the anticipated increase in cases resulting from violations of professionals not completing the appropriate training.
- The one-time increase in state expenditures associated with additional positions is estimated to be \$25,800 (\$9,600 computer setup + \$16,200 office furniture).
- The recurring increase in state expenditures associated with the additional positions is estimated to be \$412,859 (\$294,744 salaries + \$106,115 benefits + \$8,400 communications + \$3,600 supplies).
- The child safety training programs will be provided electronically with an annual cost of \$212,500 [ $\$25,000$  annual licensing fee + ( $\$2.50$  per training  $\times$  75,000 training programs)].
- The total increase in state expenditures in FY16-17 is estimated to be \$718,292 ( $\$67,133 + \$25,800 + \$412,859 + \$212,500$ ).
- The total recurring increase in state expenditures in FY17-18 and subsequent years is estimated to be \$692,492 ( $\$67,133 + \$412,859 + 212,500$ ).

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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